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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (ROBERT INGERSOLL)

SUBJECT: VISIT TO PEKING

REF: PEKING 0032

FOR BRUCE FROM INGERSOLL

1. APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN THAT, SHOULD A NEGATIVE RESPONSE FROM CHINESE DEVELOP WITH RESPECT TO MY PROPOSED TRIP, IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR ME TO PASS UP PEKING STOP. RELUCTANTLY I CONCUR IN THIS JUDGMENT, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE I HAD HOPED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY FOR IN-DEPTH DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU AND USLO STAFF.

2. WITH RESPECT TO YOUR SUGGESTION FOR A CUTOFF DATE

BY WHICH TIME WE SHOULD TELL THE CHINESE THAT I WILL BE UNABLE TO COME TO PEKING, WE BELIEVE WE CAN HOLD OFF UNTIL SATURDAY, JANUARY 12. IF BY THAT DATE YOU CONFIDENTIAL

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HAVE NOT HEARD FROM CHINESE, REQUEST YOU FOLLOW THE APPROACH OUTLINED REFTTEL PARA 2 AND ADVISE US VIA IMMEDIATE CABLE. I LEAVE TO YOUR DISCRETION WHETHER JANUARY 12 CUTOFF SHOULD BE MENTIONED TO CHINESE

DURING THE JANUARY 9 *MEETING. KISSINGER

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